

### Declaration and Power of Attorney

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **ANIMAL BYPRODUCT CONVERSION SYSTEM AND METHOD**.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by an amendment, if any, specifically referred to in this oath or declaration.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

None

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

None

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

I hereby appoint the attorney(s) on ATTACHMENT A as associate attorney(s) in the aforementioned application, with full power solely to prosecute said application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected with the prosecution of said application. No other powers are granted to such associate attorney(s) and such associate attorney(s) are specifically denied any power of substitution or revocation.

Full name of sole inventor: **Robert J. Yarem**  
**(deceased – completed on added page)**

**ATTACHMENT A**

**POWER OF ATTORNEY:** As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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**Added Page to Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney For Signing By  
Administrator (Trix), Executor (Trix) or Legal Representative On Behalf of  
Deceased Inventor (37 CFR 1.42)**

I, Alexis A. Yarem, hereby declare that I am  
a citizen of ~~U.S.A.~~ Canada *ya*, residing at 2438 Basin Drive, Gainesville,  
GA 30506 and that I am executing and signing the declaration to which this is  
attached as

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The administrator(trix) of

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That, upon information and belief, I aver those facts that the inventor is required  
to state.

Date: 1-18-04

*Alexis Yarem*

Signature of administrator(trix), executor(trix),

legal representative (or all heirs) IN THE UNITED STATES  
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